

**ABSTRACT**

The system and methods described herein relate to printing a document in real-time. That is, upon activation of a print command, a printing device can immediately begin moving print media and output printed material. Rather than  
5 requiring printing resources to process a document all at once, the system and methods spread processing demands out over the duration of the document's composition. Advantages of the disclosed system and methods include reduced or nonexistent delay times between the activation of a print command and the initiation of printed output and a reduction in printing failures.

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